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TO AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SO, US

SUBJECT: SOMALI ASSURANCES - NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS

REF: A) MOGADISCIO 577; B) STATE A-1394 (MARCH 9, 1976)

1. UNDER TERMS OF THE CASE ACT (P.L. 92-403), DEPARTMENT IS OBLIGATED TO REPORT ALL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS TO THE CONGRESS WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THEIR ENTRY INTO FORCE (REF B). U.S. REQUEST FOR, AND SOMALI PROVISION OF, ASSURANCES REGARDING SOMALI NON-USE OF FORCE AGAINST OTHER STATES AND NON-TRANSFER OF U.S. ORIGIN ARMS AND EQUIPMENT CONSTITUTES AN AGREEMENT WITHIN TERMS OF CASE ACT (AS INDICATED IN LAST PARAGRAPH OF LOUGHRAN-TO-SIAD LETTER OF APRIL 19). EFFECTIVE DATE OF AGREEMENT IS APRIL 29, DATE OF SIAD REPLY TO LOUGHRAN LETTER.

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2. REFTTEL A (PARA THREE) REPORTS THAT SIAD TOLD SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL EMISSARY MOOSE HE HAD NO OBJECTION TO OUR QUOTING HIS ASSURANCES PUBLICLY. SIAD LETTERS TO SPECIAL EMISSARY AND AMBASSADOR LOUGHRAN CARRY NO SOMALI CLASSIFICATION OR OTHER RESTRICTIVE MARKINGS. THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTION, WE INTEND

SHORTLY (AND IN ANY CASE PRIOR TO JUNE 29) TO PROVIDE CONGRESS WITH TEXTS OF FOLLOWING LETTERS, IN UNCLASSIFIED FORM: MOOSE-SIAD MARCH 22; SIAD-MOOSE MARCH 23; LOUGHRAN-SIAD APRIL 19; AND SIAD-LOUGHRAN APRIL 29. (TEXTS WOULD ULTIMATELY ALSO BE PUBLISHED IN TREATIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS SERIES.) CASE ACT PROVIDES THAT CLASSIFIED AGREEMENTS PROVIDED TO CONGRESS ARE PROTECTED BY AN INJUNCTION OF SECRECY REMOVABLE ONLY BY NOTICE FROM THE PRESIDENT. HOWEVER, WE WOULD NOTE THAT, AS U.S. HAS NO REASON TO CLASSIFY TEXT OF THIS AGREEMENT, WE COULD EXPLAIN DOING SO IN THIS INSTANCE ONLY ON BASIS SOMALI INSISTENCE, WHICH COULD RAISE QUESTIONS AS TO VALIDITY OF ASSURANCES.

3. ORIGINAL TEXT OF APRIL 29 SIAD LETTER HAS ARRIVED IN DEPARTMENT AND NEEDS NO FURTHER AUTHENTICATION. DEPARTMENT WILL, HOWEVER, REQUIRE ORIGINAL OF SIAD'S MARCH 23RD LETTER AND CERTIFIED COPIES OF SPECIAL EMISSARY MOOSE'S MARCH 22 LETTER AND AMBASSADOR'S APRIL 19 LETTER. PLEASE FORWARD SOONEST BY POUCH.  
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